

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)****Grant Recipient: Soldotna Area Senior Citizens, Inc.****Federal Tax ID: 92-0116416****Project Title:**

Soldotna Area Senior Citizens, Inc. - ADA Walkway Project

State Funding Requested: \$ 67,500**House District: 33 - Q**

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

Provides an ADA covered walkway 130 feet long, from the senior housing complex main entrance to the Center.

Funding Plan:**Total Cost of Project: \$67,500**Funding Secured

Amount FY

Other Pending Requests

Amount FY

Anticipated Future Need

Amount FY

There is no other funding needed

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

The covered ADA walkway is designed for year-round safe and dry walkway, especially of a critical need during inclement weather. The covered walkway would allow tenants the use of the Center for daily senior programs and services they rely on without fear of falling.

The walkway is 130 feet long, 8 feet wide, with a covered entrance area of 16 feet by 20 feet.

Project Timeline:

Upon notification of inclusion in the capital budget, the project will be bid and purchased within two years.

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

Soldotna Area Senior Citizens, Inc.

Grant Recipient Contact Information:

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? ☒ Yes ☐ No



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YEAR 2008 STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

COMMUNITY: SOLDOTNA

Funding Recipient: Soldotna Area Senior Citizens, Inc.

Project Name: Soldotna Senior Center Improvements

Project
Priority
Ranking: 1

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

Soldotna Area Senior Citizens, Inc., (SASC) is requesting funding for two projects. They are prioritized based on our needs.

Priority 1: Soldotna Area Senior Citizens built an independent senior housing complex in 2007 for seniors 62 years and older, which is fully ADA handicapped accessible including hearing and visual equipped. As part of the Center's strategic planning for this "state of the art" complex, and for the safety of its tenants, ADA handicapped carports were designed in the original blueprints to be added as funding was established. For the 8 apartment complex a carport is planned for each unit. Architectural plans have been developed and quoted, and the total cost to build 8 carports is \$102,000.00

Priority 2: An ADA covered walkway 130' long, 8' wide and with a covered entrance area of 16' by 20' from the senior housing complex main entrance to the Center. The covered ADA walkway is designed for year-round safe and dry walkway, especially of a critical need during inclement weather. The covered walkway would allow tenants the use of the Center for daily senior programs and services they rely on without fear of falling. The cost of the ADA covered walkway is \$67,500.00.

Funding Requested: \$169,500

Total Project Cost: \$169,500

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Election Districts: Senate District: Q

House District: 33

How has the community shown support for this project? (Volunteerism, money, resolutions, etc.)

Soldotna Senior Center's board of directors has worked closely together, as well as with area seniors and business leaders to circumference the growth of the senior population of Soldotna, Funny River and $\frac{3}{4}$ of Ridgeway communities that the Center serves. Through the board of directors careful long range strategic planning for expansion of programs, services, and housing, will guarantee current seniors, as well as future seniors, programs and services available and provided for them.

What steps have been taken to date to get this project going?

Soldotna Senior Center board of directors has recognized the need of ADA carports and the ADA covered walkway and have been designed. Both projects have been quoted.

How did the community select this project as a funding priority? (Community meeting, survey, etc.)

The ADA carports and covered walkway was prioritized through the request and needs of area seniors that will utilize the housing as well as and programs and services that the Center provides.

**If you conducted a community meeting, how was it advertised?
When and where was the meeting held?**

The Center's annual membership meeting was the focal point with members and interested individuals for discussion of the Center's next fiscal year priorities for senior housing. Advertisement of the Annual Meeting was through the Center's monthly newsletter, and daily announcements. The annual Membership Meeting was held on August 19, 2007. However, the project has been ongoing and planned by the board of directors, area seniors, housing committee and area business leaders for the past four (4) years, and met on a quarterly basis.

Who attended (List specific groups such as community council, APC, general public, etc.)

Soldotna Senior Center members, volunteers, interested community individuals, and was open to the public.

Who owns the property and what is the status of the land for the project?

Soldotna Area Senior Citizens, Inc., owns the property that the carports and covered walkway would be constructed. The land is utilized for senior programs and services and independent senior housing.

Who will own the project or facility?

Soldotna Area Senior Citizens will manage the project and owns the facility.

How will the project be constructed or accomplished?

The Center works in a team concept and the team consists of an architect, contractor, SASC board of directors, project committee, funding sources, and business leaders. The project will be accomplished through approved architectural drawings, City of Soldotna permitting, built by the contractor, and in compliance with all existing regulatory codes.

Who will operate and/or maintain the project or facility?

Soldotna Area Senior Citizens, Inc., will maintain the project and facility.